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Amendments To The Claims:

Please amend the claims as shown.

1-12 (canceled)

13. (new) A layer system, comprising:

a substrate;

an intermediate layer having a composition MCrAlY where M is an element selected from the group consisting of iron, cobalt, and nickel; and

an outer layer having particles of a coarse grain size,

wherein the particles of the coarse grain size have grain diameters greater than 80 micrometers and the particles have a composition McrAlY and the particles are present on the intermediate layer and the outer layer has been applied to the particles.

- 14. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 13, wherein a further layer is applied to the coarse particles prior to the application of the outer layer.
- 15. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 14, wherein the further layer consists of particles of a medium grain size and in that the particles of a medium grain size have grain diameters of between 22 micrometers and 62 micrometers.
  - 16. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 13, wherein the intermediate layer at least partially comprises particles of a fine grain size and in that the particles of a fine grain size have grain diameters of less than 22 micrometers, in particular between 8 and 22 micrometers.
- 17. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 13, wherein the intermediate layer is dense.
- 18. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 13, wherein the substrate is a cobaltor nickel-based superalloy.

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- 19. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 13, wherein the coarse particles have a composition MCrAlY, in which M stands for an element selected from the group consisting of iron, cobalt and nickel.
- 20. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 13, wherein the outer layer is a ceramic layer.
- 21. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 13, wherein the outer layer is a thermal barrier coating.
- 22. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 13, wherein the intermediate layer is applied by plasma spraying.
- 23. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 13, wherein the layer system is a gas turbine part.
- 24. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 16, wherein the level of particles for the intermediate layer of a fine grain size is 50%.
- 25. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 13, wherein the particles have a grain size diameter greater than 100 micrometers.
- 26. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 16, wherein the particles of the fine grain size have grain diameters between 8 and 22 micrometers.
  - 27. (new) A layer system for a gas turbine component, comprising: a substrate;

an intermediate layer having a composition MCrAlY where M is an element selected from the group consisting of iron, cobalt, and nickel; and

an outer layer having particles of a coarse grain size,

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wherein the particles of the coarse grain size have grain diameters greater than 80 micrometers and the particles have a composition McrAlY and the particles are present on the intermediate layer and the outer layer has been applied to the particles.

- 28. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 27, wherein a further layer is applied to the coarse particles prior to the application of the outer layer.
- 29. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 28, wherein the further layer consists of particles of a medium grain size and in that the particles of a medium grain size have grain diameters of between 22 micrometers and 62 micrometers.
- 30. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 27, wherein the intermediate layer at least partially comprises particles of a fine grain size and in that the particles of a fine grain size have grain diameters of less than 22 micrometers, in particular between 8 and 22 micrometers.
- 31. (new) The layer system as claimed in claim 27, wherein the intermediate layer is dense.